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### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Bodo Rorig, et al.

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### **RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Notice of missing requirements of April 12, 2006, reconsideration of the application is requested in view of the remarks presented herein.

The notice indicated that an English translation of the application must be submitted together with the \$130 for processing the translation. The notice further indicated that the number of the PCT claims was different from the claims submitted in the translation.

Obviously, there is some confusion.

The application was filed in the English language as can be seen from copy of the filed application, so no translation or \$130 processing fee is required. The English text has 12 claims in contrast with to the 9 claims presented in the PCT application and the claims submitted to the United States were not the same as the PCT claims in an attempt to conform the United States claims to the American practice. The American text conformed to the PCT

text and an English translation of the PCT claims is not deemed necessary. However,

Applicants will supply and English translation of the PCT claims if the Patent Office requires

it. Enclosed is a copy of the Notice and it is requested that the same be forwarded to the group

for examination in due course.

Respectfully submitted, Hedman and Costigan

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# NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 01/05/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 01/05/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 01/05/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 01/05/2006
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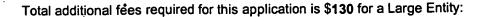
The foilowing items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Translation of the application into English. Note a processing fee will be required if submitted later than 30 months from the priority date.
- Translation of the application into English. The current translation of the application into English is defective
  as described below. Note a processing fee will be required if submitted later than 30 months from the
  priority date.
  - The number of claims in the International Application and the number of claims in the translation are not the same.

Processing fee of \$130 for providing the translation of the application and/or the Annexes later than 30 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(i)).

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• \$130 for English translation surcharge required.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the response.

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